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May 12, 2014

| Date Complaint Received:    | 5/7/14  |
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| Complaint Received By:      | DHS   |
| Provider Name and Location: | Erika Hildman, 404 N. Heckart, Algona, IA 50511 |

Complaint: There are bags of garbage setting outside the house; there is a swimming pool with no cover/fence

Rule Basis: 441 IAC 110.5(1) "h", "r"

## Findings:

441 IAC 110.5(1) Health and safety. Conditions in the home shall be safe, sanitary, and free of hazards.

h. A safe outdoor play area shall be maintained in good condition throughout the year. The play area shall be kept free from litter, rubbish, and flammable materials and shall be free from contamination by drainage or ponding of sewage, household waste, or storm water.

On 05-08-14 a visit was made to the home. There were garbage bags full of garbage outside of the house Erika stated the garbage would be removed by the following day.

- r. When there is a swimming or wading pool on the premises:
- (2) An aboveground or in-ground swimming pool that is not fenced shall be covered whenever the pool is not in use. The cover shall meet or exceed the standards of the American Society for Testing and Materials.
- (3) An uncovered aboveground swimming pool shall be enclosed with an approved fence that is four feet above the side walls.
- (4) An uncovered in-ground swimming pool shall be enclosed with a fence that is at least four feet high and flush with the ground.

On 05-08-14 a visit was made to the home. There was a swimming pool on the property (approximately 4' in height). Erika stated they partially filled the pool to determine if it would hold water and planned to sell it.

Resolution: On 05-12-14 it was observed that the garbage had been removed and the pool had been dismantled.

If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact me at 515-295-7771; ext. 217 or email address jjohnso5@dhs.state.ia.us

Sincerely,

Jan Johnson Social Worker